hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service, GROUP 1700 with sufficient postage, as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313 on September 18, 2003 Date of Deposit Steven P. Shurtz (Reg. No. 31,424) Name of applicant, assignee or Registered Representative Date of Signature Case No. 396/352 IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Application of: Antonio Chiga Serial No: 10/071,865 Examiner: Mathew O. Savage Filed: February 8, 2002 Group Art Unit: 1723 For: FILTER FOR FLUIDS, **ESPECIALLY FUELS** PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a)) Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Dear Sir: This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Office Action dated March 18, 2003 for a period of 3 month(s).

claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

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		Extension <u>Months</u>	Other Than Small Entity	Small Entity
		One Month Two Months Three Months Four Months Five Months	\$110.00 \$410.00 \$930.00 \$1,450.00 \$1,970.00	\$55.00 \$205.00 \$465.00 \$725.00 \$985.00
Fee Payment				
	Attached is a check for \$ for the Petition fee.			
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	Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached. Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.			
			Respect	fully submitted,
Dated	l:	September 18, 2003	Registra	2. Shurtz tion No. 31,424 of for Applicant

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